

PHELPS GETS THERE.

What the San Francisco Record Shows.

Clunie Loses Enough Votes to Forfeit His Seat.

California Preparing for Its Great London Exhibition.

Cashier Ramsden Takes a Hopeful View of the San Francisco Bank Failure—San Diego's Police Force Being Overhauled—Other Coast News.

By Telegram to The Times.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 18.—[By the Associated Press.] The tally kept by Timothy Phelps, during the O'Donnell recount of the vote of the city, seems to show that Phelps (Rep.) has been counted out of 13 votes and Clunie (Dem.) has been credited with 25 votes to which he was not entitled, in the first five precincts of the Thirty-ninth Assembly District.

Up to the fourth precinct of the Fortieth District, where the recount ended for the day, it was claimed that Phelps had gained 75 votes, and that, instead of Clunie having a majority of 47 votes, Phelps has a majority of 39, with nearly the entire district yet to hear from.

Clunie, however, seems undisturbed by the results of this unofficial count, and expresses the opinion that there must be some mistake.

THE LONDON EXHIBIT.

Leading Men of the State Take Up the Project.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 18.—[By the Associated Press.] A large number of delegates from all parts of the State met in the Chamber of Commerce today, to take action in regard to making an exhibition of California products in London. W. H. Mills acted as temporary chairman. The usual committees were appointed, and the Committee on Permanent Organization reported the following nominations: President, W. H. Mills of San Francisco; secretary, J. M. Davis of Alameda; vice-presidents, A. B. Butler of Fresno, E. W. Jones of Los Angeles, David Lubin of Sacramento; treasurer, Louis Schless; also one vice-president of each county, and an executive committee of fifteen members.

The report of the committee was adopted. The subject of the exhibition of California products and other products on exhibition in London was generally discussed, and the project met with favor from all speakers. Among those who spoke upon the subject were David Lubin of Sacramento, M. M. Estee of Napa, A. Dow Kenell of London, Charles H. Turrill of San Diego, Prof. Hilgard of the State University, J. P. Jones of San Francisco, and W. L. Merry of San Francisco.

Mr. Estee introduced a resolution that a permanent exhibition of California products be established in London. Adopted.

Mr. Estee also introduced a resolution that the Legislature be requested to make an appropriation to maintain the exhibition for two years.

Mayor Workman of Los Angeles moved that the amount appropriated for 1900. This proposition was agreed to, and it was also determined to request Gov. Waterman to make this recommendation in his message.

Some opposition was made to the proposition of making an exhibition at the Paris exposition, but the motion was carried, expressing sympathy with the objects of the Paris exposition and promising to aid the State Commissioner.

It was agreed that the Executive Committee be empowered to transact all business during the adjournment of the general convention, and to see to the passage of a bill appropriating \$250,000 by the next Legislature.

Mills was named for chairman of the committee, but declined the honor, as business would keep him from the State during the greater portion of the time during the meeting of the Legislature.

The Executive Committee was decided upon as follows: B. Cornwall and William H. Mills of San Francisco, C. W. Jones of Los Angeles, A. H. Placer, H. M. Lane and David Lubin of Sacramento, A. L. White of San Bernardino, Charles B. Turrill of San Diego, M. M. Estee of Napa, Stockton, N. Cadwalader of Santa Cruz, M. Ike of Santa Clara, H. M. Bryington of Sonoma, N. P. Chipman of Tehama and R. B. Blowers of Yuba. To this committee were afterward added A. J. Hatch of Solana, Capt. Merri of San Francisco, Prof. Hilgard of Alameda and M. M. Estee of Napa.

The convention indorse the work of the State Board of Trade. After extending a vote of thanks to H. M. Mills for his service as chairman of the convention adjourned to the call of the Executive Committee.

Charles L. Hopkins, assistant pomologist of the United States Department of Agriculture, has written G. P. Rixford of this city offering him the superintendency of the exhibition of California products at the Paris Exhibition. Mr. Rixford has accepted.

SAN DIEGO.

Crookedness Among the Police—Dr. Northrup's Suit, Etc.

SAN DIEGO, Dec. 18.—[By the Associated Press.] The special committee appointed by the City Council to investigate the charges of delection of duty against the police force, met this morning. Several witnesses were examined, and during the progress some sensational testimony was elicited, and the opinion prevails that there is a good deal of crookedness to be brought to light by the investigation.

In the case of Dr. Northrup against the county of San Diego for \$100 for performing post mortem examinations, which judgment was rendered by default on Saturday, it transpired that the default was caused by an error of the clerk, and the judge ordered the judgment set aside and the case remanded for trial.

THE RECENT STORM.

Fears Expressed for the Safety of Coasting Vessels.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 18.—[By the Associated Press.] The recent storm was terribly severe along the northern coast from Cape Mendocino to Cape Flattery, and fears are entertained for the safety of some of the overloaded coal vessels from Puget Sound, and for a number of barks. The captains of the Costa Rica, Emire, Jeanie and Umattila, which have arrived here, state that the weather was the roughest they ever experienced. Among the coal vessels bound from the sound were a ship and bark from Departure Bay, four ships from Nanaimo, five ships and a bark from Seattle, and three ships from Tacoma. A number of lumber-laden schooners and barkentines were also out in the storm, and have not yet arrived.

RAILWAY NEWS.

A New Company Absorbs Several Lines Up North.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 18.—[By the Associated Press.] The San Francisco and North Pacific Railway Company today filed articles of incorporation, with Frederick F. Low, Samuel G. Murphy, George W. Prescott, Philip N. Bay, George W. Prescott, William F. McAllister and Solon Pattee as a board of directors. The company proposes to purchase the San Francisco and North Pacific Railroad, San Francisco and San Rafael Railroad, Sonoma Valley Railroad, Cloverdale and Ukiah Railroad and all three branches from Point Tiburon to the present terminus in Mendocino county, and all rolling stock and ferries connected with the lines. The capital stock of the company is \$6,000,000, of which \$250,000 has

been subscribed. Of this sum \$191,000 is credited to J. M. Donahue.

Col. Crocker today stated that the directors of the Southern Pacific have under consideration the payment to the State of \$250,000, claimed to be due as taxes for 1888 on railroad property in this State. Col. Crocker said that although the directors, in view of certain facts, may think their taxes excessive, they are disposed to pay the full amount as assessed. However, before paying these taxes there must be ascertained how the settlement would affect the position of the company as determined by the United States Courts. He thought the directors would definitely settle the matter this week.

THE SUSPENDED BANK.

Cashier Ramsden Takes a Hopeful View of Its Affairs.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 18.—[By the Associated Press.] United States Bank Examiner Cassidy, who is now in charge of the suspended California National Bank, said today that from what he has been able to learn of the condition of the bank after a hasty examination, he thought all the depositors would be paid in full. A definite statement, however, will not be forthcoming for several days.

Cashier Ramsden claims that when matters are straightened out it will be found that the bank suffered a slight impairment of its capital, and that this will be made good and the bank be enabled to resume operations.

The Dimmig Trial.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 18.—During the progress of the Dimmig murder trial today the jury were taken to inspect the premises at 23 Geary street, where the body of Henry Benhayon was found.

Subsequently, in court, Mrs. M. H. Parker, the landlady of the house, was recalled and asked whether she had seen the rear entrance had been about the time Benhayon visited the house. She replied positively in the negative.

County Division Again.

POMONA, Dec. 18.—Senator-elect J. E. McComas of Pomona is preparing a bill, which he will introduce into the next Legislature, providing for the formation of a new county to be known as "Pomona county" from all that part of Los Angeles county north of Coyote Creek and east of a line drawn north and south through Puente; also all that part of San Bernardino county west of a line drawn through Cucamonga.

They Argued on Religion.

LE GRANDE (Or.), Dec. 18.—Last night William Pelton, an employe of the Oregon Railway and Navigation Company, was killed in a fight by John Boyer, a local resident. The two had been arguing on religion.

Spontaneous Combustion.

SAN DIEGO, Dec. 18.—Fire started in the attic of the Nadeau House this morning and destroyed furniture to the value of about \$2000; insured. It is supposed that spontaneous combustion was the cause.

His Body Recovered.

SEATTLE (Wash.), Dec. 18.—The body of Samuel Looney, mate of the brigantine T. W. Lucas, who mysteriously disappeared two weeks since, was found in the harbor today.

STATE DIVISION.

Gen. Vandever's Reasons for Introducing His Bill.

The following private letter received here from Gen. Vandever shows his personal views on the subject of State division: HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, U. S. SENATE, WASHINGTON (D. C.), Dec. 12, 1888. You doubtless are aware of the proposition I introduced for a division of California into two States. The reason for this is the low estimate they entertain of us in the south. Our State is the second largest in the Union, containing 158,000 square miles of territory. We are three or four times as large as New York. We have an immense coal line, and it is the appropriate time to make a division of the State into two States. San Francisco, by the influence of corrupt methods, virtually controls our State policy and holds the balance of power in politics, and will use this influence to one party or another, just as her local interest may seem to require. Her ambition seems to be to rival New York city in political power, and to hold all the balance of the State subject to her special interests. We cannot get the help of her delegation in Congress for any measure to promote the interest of the southern part of the State for fear it may detract from her chance for Federal patronage or appropriations. In Congress I have proposed a division of the State into two States. I am one to five, and will not submit for myself or my district to be unfairly ruled by a lot of selfish politicians that only use us and never serve us. These are my private sentiments. Now, then, I hope the people of the Sixth District will support me in my position for a division of the State in a temperate but a firm tone, and assert our right to self-government. Yours truly, WM. VANDEVER.

A SAN DIEGO FRENCHMAN.

He Dies Suddenly in a Lodging-house.

About a week ago a Frenchman who gave the name of P. Henri Vergnes came up from San Diego, and hired a room at the lodging-house at No. 213 Commercial street, which is kept by a Frenchman. He was very quiet in his manner, and talked but little. He stayed about the house most of the time. Monday night he was quite sick and got up two or three times during the night, but made no complaint. Yesterday morning when the proprietor entered the room he found Vergnes lying across the bed, with his clothes on, dead. He had removed one boot, and was apparently about to take off the other, when he fell forward over the bed unconscious. Death must have been instantaneous, as there were no signs of a struggle, and all the indications pointed to heart disease. The body was removed to Garrett & Neitzke's, where an inquest was held last evening, the jury returning a verdict of death from natural causes.

Vergnes was a man about 40 years of age, 5 feet 8 inches in height, weighing about 160 pounds, and very muscular. He had dark hair and eyes, and was a full beard. He had no friends here, so far as known.

Another Burglary.

The book and toy store of Chalmers & Nordholt, at No. 140 South Main street, was burglarized Monday night, and \$300 worth of gold pens taken from the showcase. Nothing else was missed. The thieves entered through a transom over a door in the rear of the store. The robbery was not discovered until yesterday morning. There is no clue to the thieves.

G. A. R.

Frank A. Bartlett Post of the G. A. R. held a regular meeting last evening. A public meeting of the post, and also of the Woman's Relief Corps, was announced to be held in two weeks' time for the installation of officers newly elected for the ensuing year.

A Suit Sentence.

S. Shepherd was fined \$100 yesterday in Justice Austin's court on a conviction for petty larceny for stealing some carpenter's tools from S. W. Jacoby. The alternative of 100 days in the County Jail if he did not pounce up was offered the larcenous Shepherd.

The Germans.

The German Turners held one of their regular meetings last night at the gymnasium under Turnverein Hall. They went through the customary exercises, and put in a good evening's work developing their skill and muscle.

A Fire.

The alarm of fire last night about 9 o'clock was caused by a slight blaze in the Weid, at the corner of Main and Eighth streets. The damage was only nominal.

HAYTIAN WARFARE.

Legitime's Gunboats Bombard a Town.

The Inhabitants Given a Few Hours to Seek Safety.

A Score or More Civilians Killed by the Iron Hall.

The Galea Now Due at Port-au-Prince—Conflicting Reports as to What Will Be Done About the Sized Steamer, Haytian Republic.

By Telegram to The Times.

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—[By the Associated Press.] Capt. Kelly of the steamer Saginaw, which arrived today from Hayti, will not make any report of Haytian affairs, but it is learned from other sources that the steamer Haytian Republic was still in the harbor of Port-au-Prince when the Saginaw sailed. The passengers by the Saginaw bring important news from Hayti.

On the morning of the 5th of December, as the passengers state, four of Legitime's men-of-war, the Desallies, Belle, Toussaint L'Ouverture and one other, bombarded Cape Haytian. The gunboats dropped anchor four or five miles off shore, lying broadside to the town. Guns were fired with blank cartridges to give notice of their warlike intentions. The foreign consuls in the city sent out a petition to get out of the city. They were given 36 hours to evacuate the town. The people fled into the hills, taking all of their possessions they could conveniently carry. The supply of pack-mules being limited to 50 or 60, the animals were in great demand, and fabulous prices were paid to convey a single mule-load of the more valuable effects of wealthy residents to a place of safety. Those of the poorer classes who were fortunate enough to own a mule preferred renting it out to using the animals to save their own goods. Shortly after daybreak on the second day after the arrival of the fleet the Haytian officers turned their guns on the town and

THE BOMBARDMENT COMMENCED.

Operations were begun at this early hour because a favorable tide enabled the four vessels to lie broadside to the town. The Toussaint fired the first shot, which went whistling through the air, and buried itself in the sand on the beach just in front of the frail, thatched bamboo houses of the poorer natives. The other vessels followed suit, and fired widely. In a few minutes, however, shots began to pour through the town, demolishing the frail structures. The bamboo huts succumbed easily, but the stone buildings in the central and more elevated portion of the town stood firm. The heavy walls resisting the fire for several hours. Despite the warning they had received to leave the fated town, many of the residents remained in their habitations. In fact it was impossible to remove many of the sick in the city within the time allotted by Legitime. On the tops of all of the houses in the city a white flag was known to be a white flag was placed, but shot and shell were no respecters of the appealing emblems. None of the people who arrived today could estimate with any degree of accuracy the number killed, but it was thought that fifteen or twenty at least had been killed. The condition of the city by degrees losing the sympathy of the people, and most all the sympathy is with the north.

THE GALEA DUE.

Agents in New York of the steamship Haytian Republic are much surprised at the report that their vessel will sail from Hayti today in charge of an American crew, which sailed from here last week on the Atlas line ship, to be delivered at an anchor port subject to the disposal of this government. Mr. Austin, one of the agents, says: "I don't see what either Legitime or the United States can gain by this. I doubt very much whether they can bring the Haytian Republic up here. She has no stores, no fuel nor anything else on board, and she must be taken possession of by her at once." Mr. Morse, one of the owners, is on the Galea, and he will take charge of his vessel.

FOREIGN NOTES.

Proposed Issue of More Panama Canal Lottery Bonds.

PARIS, Dec. 18.—[By Cable and Associated Press.] The shareholders of the Panama Canal Company have been invited to sign an agreement to subscribe for lottery bonds on a future issue of £360, and thousands have already signed.

Owing to fears that the Panama Company's difficulties may give rise to disorders on the isthmus the French Government has decided to send a man-of-war to Colon to protect French interests. It is expected the United States will send two.

NOTES.

DUBLIN, Dec. 18.—Monsignor Kirby telegraphs to Archbishop Walsh from Rome that the story that the Pope refused to bless the reliquaries sent to him by the Irish priests is a fabrication.

LONDON, Dec. 18.—The centenary of the siege of Londonderry by the French forces under James II of England was celebrated today with much enthusiasm.

VIENNA, Dec. 18.—Count Leo Thun, formerly a member of the Austrian cabinet, is dead.

LONDON, Dec. 18.—Heavy fog is general in all parts of England.

The Millers' Convention.

MILWAUKEE, Dec. 18.—The Millers' Convention of the West and Northwest today adopted resolutions calling for the enactment of the output of the mills of the country for January to one-half the average capacity, namely, 100,000 bushels, to regulate the output, and, on the advice of three-fourths of the mills of the country, asking that the United States export rate be cut, less than the current rate, and forbidding the consignment of flour by mills for three months after January 1, 1889. Adjourned sine die.

The Duck Hill Robbery.

DUCK HILL, Dec. 18.—There is nothing new concerning the robbery. Popular opinion is that the bunch, who six weeks ago robbed the express messenger on the New Orleans and Northwestern Railroad, bossed the Duck Hill job. Gov. Lowry yesterday offered a reward of \$10,000 for the capture of the robbers, and the Illinois Central Railway offers \$1000.

Storm in the Isthmus.

PANAMA VIA GALVESTON, Dec. 18.—Railroad communication with Colon, which was interrupted by the storm, has been resumed. The Liver Chagres rose again Saturday, but, although still high, is subsiding. The canal works are considerably damaged. Great anxiety prevails regarding the affairs of the canal.

Supposed to Have Sunk.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 18.—The schooner August Flower and William Wilier, which sailed from here together on November 19th, are believed to have sunk at sea during the recent storm, and that all on board are lost. Each vessel carried a mate, four seamen and a steward.

Buffalo's Base-ball Club.

BUFFALO, Dec. 18.—Jack Rowe and Jim White of last year's Detroit Club have bought a majority of the stock in the Buffalo Base-ball club, and will hereafter control it.

The Weather.

SIGNAL OFFICE, LOS ANGELES, Dec. 18.—At 5:30 a.m. the thermometer registered 38; at 2:07 p.m., 74; at 5:07 p.m., 70. Barometer for corresponding periods, 30.08, 30.09, 30.06. Maximum temperature, 77; minimum temperature, 56. Weather clear.

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R. S. BABCOCK, Jr., President Coronado Beach Company.

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PASADENA NEWS.

THE FORMATION OF A PRESS ASSOCIATION THE TALK.

The Board of Trade—A Trip Among the Cattle—The Conclave—A Presentation—Personal and Other Paragraphs.

PASADENA, Dec. 18.—[Correspondence of THE TIMES.] There was a large attendance present at the meeting of the Board of Trade this afternoon. President Masters called the meeting to order at 4 o'clock, and after the reading of the minutes of the previous session, business was transacted as follows:

A letter from the State Board of Trade in reference to affiliation was received, read, and laid over for further consideration.

A communication from a railroad agent in Minneapolis, asking for Pasadena views and pamphlets, was read, and the same ordered sent by a unanimous vote.

The board then, on motion of Mr. Buchanan, passed a resolution of thanks to B. S. Eaton for the pleasure of his company to Hoon Canyon to examine the sources of water supply about to be purchased by the city.

At this point of the meeting Mr. O'Neill thought that as the City Attorney was present he could enlighten them as to what action could be taken in order to provide shade trees along Colorado street, from Marengo avenue to Lake avenue.

Mr. Polley in reply briefly said that the City Board of Trustees, for whom he was acting, could not compel tree-planting unless the property-holders saw fit. He admitted, however, that the board could remove any obstructions, and thought that with a little cooperation the work might be accomplished.

C. C. Brown suggested that a public meeting be called in the matter, and at that time summer property-holders to attend, and give their views on the question. Mr. Carey, who was also present, suggested a new idea. He said he thought five acres of sewer farm could be obtained to plant ornamental trees of various kinds, and these could be furnished to those who would willingly plant and care for them. The whole matter was finally laid over, to come up at the next meeting, when the President will appoint a committee to look into the matter.

Judge Knight, of the Editorial Conclave Committee, reported that about thirty responses had already been received to attend the reception and meeting tomorrow afternoon. The committee was continued, and empowered to complete final arrangements.

THE CONCLAVE.
Tomorrow afternoon, at 2 o'clock, the gentleman of the newspaper fraternity, who have responded to the formation of a press association of Southern California, will meet in the Board of Trade rooms. One hour later they will be transported over the Altadena railroad and given an opportunity to gaze over the foothills and mountains. The trip will be a complimentary one. At 6 o'clock dinner will be partaken of in the Carlton dining-room, and the various toasts responded to. At 8 o'clock they will be escorted to the Pickwick Hall, where the performance of the local minstrel company will entertain them.

Citizens who have carriages are requested to be at the depot when the various trains arrive, and escort the visitors among our beautiful gardens.

This is the first affair of its kind ever tendered our city.

Chief Engineer Jones of the fire department was this evening the recipient of a handsome gold badge, presented him by the fire ladders.

The lecture of "Memories of the Late War," by Gen. W. A. Pile of Monrovia, drew a large audience to Morgan Hall. The speaker passed through the many incidents of camp life and struggle for freedom, and was perfectly at home in the subject. The performance of the local minstrel company will entertain them.

Supervisors of the city will be at the depot on Thursday for Sacramento where he will attend the twenty-third annual session of the State Teachers' Association. On the second day of the session Mr. Pierce will read a paper on the "Grammatical Criticism of Primary-School Work."

Corporation of the name of the male persuasion will contest for honors in a ball game in Sportsman's Park on Thursday afternoon.

Superintendent Pierce has submitted his report for the month ending the 7th inst. It shows an enrollment of 13.7 pupils and 42 new ones. The visitors number 77.

Lemanda Park has decided to build an \$8000 schoolhouse.

A Cook's excursion is due here tomorrow. On the following morning a Warner Bros. will arrive.

Prof. Tebbel's lecture on "Eclipses" drew a large and fashionable audience to the vestry room of the Universalist Church. The lecture was illustrated by maps, globes and diagrams.

Work on All Saints' Episcopal Church is progressing very slowly.

The pupils of the Wilson School were photographed today.

Candidates for the postoffice are on the way.

Complaint seems to be universal that a large number of our churches are badly ventilated.

Orange picking is now being done in some of the orchards.

The committee of the Board of Trade, who visited the canyons in the vicinity of Sierra Madre today noon, report a pleasant excursion.

Two lectures this evening served to attract large audiences.

The Presbyterians have shipped a box of good things to be served out by the missionaries in Colombia.

PERSONALS.
Rev. C. M. Wendt of Oakland is registered at the Carlton.

Dr. A. Bly and John Bly are at the Chicago Lawn for the remainder of the winter season.

R. M. Harker and wife are the guests of L. A. Wright and family. They arrived yesterday from Hiram, O.

Dr. Sovereign and family have left for a visit to Buffalo, N. Y.

S. S. Beman of Minneapolis arrived in the city last evening. This is his fifth trip over the mountains, and he proposes to reside here in the future.

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THE CITY IN BRIEF.

On Saturday evening the Switchmen's Mutual Aid Association will give a grand ball in Armory Hall.

On Christmas eve, the Eagle Corps and Companies A and C will hold a military ball and exhibition drill.

In Judge Cheney's court yesterday John White, convicted of burglary, was sentenced to Folsom State Prison for four years.

A musical and literary entertainment will be given this evening in the First Congregational Church of East Los Angeles.

Benjamin Corio was fined \$20 yesterday by Justice Austin for breaking a plate over the head of Edward Curtis during a quarrel over politics.

Yesterday was the hottest day of the winter. Many eastern people spent several hours looking for the Fourth of July stand and state poem.

Judge Cheney yesterday took under advisement the motion for an arrest of judgment in the cases of Ah Jim and Ah Fow, convicted of larceny.

Gold-seeking cranks are flocking out of Los Angeles headed for the Yuma gold mines. The excitement will probably die out before they reach that place.

An information was filed yesterday in Judge Cheney's court against Antonio Luna for an assault with a deadly weapon. Luna will be arraigned next Monday.

Judgment for the plaintiff was recorded yesterday in Judge Cheney's court in the suit of S. Duck against M. W. Childs, to recover \$250 and costs on a note not honored by the defendant.

Superior Judge O'Melveny yesterday granted Magistrate Stoker an absolute divorce from Charles Stoker on the grounds of desertion. The petitioner proved that Charles had left her four years ago and had not shown up since.

This afternoon at 2 o'clock the citizens who are anxious to reduce rents in this city will meet in Grand Army Hall, 25 North Main street. The constitution and bylaws have been prepared, and the movers will proceed to organize.

The Ellis College School of Elocution will give a recital in the College Hall on Thursday evening. The programme will include recitations, a piano, vocal and guitar solo, and the "Songs of Seven" by Mrs. Hennans, to be represented by seven young ladies of the school.

S. Gilbert, who has been at the Hollenbeck for some time, became insane yesterday afternoon and was removed to the County Jail. He began to sing and raise Cain about the hotel, claiming to be Sir Lionel Gilbert, and became such a nuisance that he had to be taken in charge. The fellow is apparently harmless.

The Police Commissioners will meet this afternoon at 2 o'clock, when Mayor Bryson will take his seat as presiding officer. The meeting will be held in Mayor Workman's old office at the corner of Fort and First streets, as well as all other meetings of committees until Mr. Bryson can get his quarters in his new block at Second and Spring streets in shape.

The People's Store will present each contestant who enters the Little Giant six-day pedestrian contest, to be held at the Pavilion, in Christmas week, with a pair of walking shoes, to be used during the race, with the compliments of the donors, and desire to see the record of the United States broken by the eminent pedestrians who are booked for the race.

PERSONAL NEWS.

D. P. Hale of San Diego is at the Nadeau.

F. E. Mackentepe of Cincinnati is at the Nadeau.

George R. Dement of Chicago is at the Nadeau.

T. Wistar Brown, Jr., of Philadelphia is at the Nadeau.

N. S. Williams of London, Ont., is quartered at the Nadeau.

O. D. Rich and J. N. Carr from Chicago are at the Hollenbeck.

John B. Reed and wife of Brooklyn, N. Y., are guests of the Nadeau.

F. L. Higbee and M. B. Waters of New York are at the Hollenbeck.

Rev. J. F. Sloan and wife of Topeka, Kan., have rooms at the Hollenbeck.

Mrs. Dr. E. E. White and Mrs. Derval of Cincinnati are at the Ardmore for the winter.

Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Plummer of San Francisco and Miss Alice Blake of Oakland have rooms at the Hollenbeck.

C. H. Pratt, business manager of the Abbott Express Company, accompanied by his wife, have secured rooms at the Nadeau.

Miss Lillian Reed, daughter of L. N. Reed, is home for the Christmas vacation, and is stopping with her parents at the Nadeau.

H. M. Byers of Iowa, formerly Consul of Switzerland, during the past few days has been visiting friends, among others Maj. J. A. Donnell of the Nadeau.

Ex-Mayor Workman will return from Oakland Friday with his daughters, who will spend the Christmas holidays at their home on Boyle street.

Miss Helen Sanborn has returned from Van Ness Seminary to spend the holidays at home. She is accompanied by her friend, Miss Maud Hollenworth of Woodland.

Walter H. Nixon of the Santa Barbara Press was in town last evening. He goes to Pasadena today to attend a meeting for the formation of a press club, to be composed of newspaper editors.

Chief Clerk Tom Field of the Nadeau, who is known to the traveling public from New York to Los Angeles as the biggest troublemaker in the world, when not busy and just the opposite when off, was given a surprise party yesterday. Tom's mother and brother pounced down on him, and will spend the winter visiting on the coast. Tom was the happiest man in the city, for he has not seen his family for some time, and he is a great "mamma's boy."

OFFICE-SEEKERS.

They Will Undergo Another Week

The failure of the Council to elect officers Monday caused some comment, but several of the knowing ones were heard to say that they knew no selections were to be made Monday, and that this was the result of a prearranged programme. Be this as it may, the agony has been prolonged for another week, and the friends of all the candidates seem to be of the opinion that the action was favorable to their men. In regard to Chief of Police, nothing definite could be learned. Only two candidates are now mentioned, Benedet and Conney. Looking at the merits of the two men, this ought to mean that Benedet will be the choice, for Conney hardly has the caliber to succeed in the office. The friends of the former are confident, and say that the post-nominate improves his chances, while the advocates of the latter insist that it has all been arranged, and that Terrence is the man. Others say that a very likely dark horse is in training, and that he will be sprung on the Council if the conditions are favorable. A new candidate for Clerk of the Council has appeared in the person of Louis Levy, who claims to have enough support to give him a fair chance for success. It is possible that the state will be to chair so far as the Street Superintendent is concerned, as there is a good deal of kicking against Mahoney, who is claimed by several of his enemies, has no particular qualifications for the place, besides which other reasons are urged. Mr. Mahoney is a contractor by occupation, who some time ago caused a scene before the Board of Health because he was not given the contract for building the new pesthouse. Mahoney has been foreman for the paving firm of Perrin and Walker, who have the contract for Sixth street, and while Mr. Mahoney would probably conduct the affairs of the office straight enough, should he get it, still, it is claimed in some quarters that it would be better to have a man who could go in wholly unbiased. There are no changes in regard to the others so far as known.

CHANCE-SEEKERS.

The elegant silverware and fancy goods at the Silver House, Baker block, are being sold at less than New York prices.

Diamonds sold at 25c on the dollar at the bankrupt sale of Roth & Son, 230 South Spring street.

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Push collar and cuff set, \$2.24; all rich shades of plush and worth \$3.25.

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